BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 93-176-C - ORDER NO. 94-1/

JANUARY 3, 1994

IN RE: Application of Southern Bell Telephone &) ORDER
Telegraph Company for Revisions to its (GRANTING Private Line Service Tariff and Private Line Service Tariff to Introduce (Take ORAL Area Plus Service.

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request for leave to take oral depositions of witnesses filed by MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI), AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T), and LDDS of Carolina, Inc. (LDDS)(collectively known as the Companies). Rule 103-852 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina allows the Commission to grant permission for litigants to take depositions in certain cases. This particular request states facts sought to be established by the Companies, by the depositions of Norman Farmer, Harold Schaefer, and James Meade. The Companies desire to take depositions in order to get information about the Area Calling Plan Principles Agreement signed by various local exchange carriers on March 12, 1993.

An examination of the matter shows that the request of the Companies is a reasonable one. Therefore, it is the Commission's

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opinion that the Companies shall be allowed to take the oral depositions of Norman Farmer, Harold Schaefer, and James Meade, at such time and place as each deponent can be made available.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

ATTEST:

(SEAL)